REMARKS

Applicant requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, in view of the above corrective claim amendments.

Applicant also respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §101.

The undersigned conducted several telephone interviews with Examiner Said to discuss what amendments would be necessary to overcome this rejection. On August 10, Examiner Said called the Attorney and said that, after consultations with his supervisor and with the special "Quality Control Committee" directed to 35 U.S.C. §101 issues, the above claim amendments will overcome this rejection.

The above amendment to specification paragraph [08] corrects the typographical error in the cited U.S. Patent 6,368,890 to read --6,268,890--.

Thus, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw all objections and rejections, and to find the application to be in condition for allowance with claims 1-12; however, if for any reason the Examiner feels that the application is not now in condition for allowance, he is respectfully requested to **call the undersigned attorney** to discuss any unresolved issues and to expedite the disposition of the application.

pplicant hereby petitions for any extension of time which may be required to maintain the pendency of this application, and any required fee for such extension is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees under

37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and/or § 1.17 necessary to keep this application pending in the Patent and

Trademark Office or credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account No. 19-4880.

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